

ADVENTHEALTH WASTE STREAM MANAGEMENT

WASTE CLASS

CONTAINER

GENERAL TRASH No Medications Allowed



- ▶ Medication wrappers and packaging
- ▶ Gloves
- ▶ Stained gauzes / dressings
- ▶ Diapers
- ▶ Empty oral syringe
- ▶ Non contaminated PPE

BIOHAZARD CONTAINERS No Medications Allowed



Items saturated with blood / body fluids

- ▶ Bloody items
- ▶ Chest tubes
- ▶ Glass / plastic specimen containers with body fluids (for the lab)
- ▶ Regulated Medical Waste (RMW) only

SHARPS CONTAINERS No Medications Allowed



If it pokes or cuts (needle, blade, scissor, hemostat);

- ▶ Scalpel blades
- ▶ Empty syringes with needle
- ▶ All syringes or tubes containing blood with or without needles
- ▶ Opened empty Ampules
- ▶ Butterfly needles
- ▶ Empty carpject syringes
- ▶ Empty / broken glass vials
- ▶ Any other sharps

HAZARDOUS PHARMACEUTICAL WASTE



All unused medications.

Syringes with remaining medication (no needles), IV bags and tubing containing residual meds.

- ▶ Partial vials containing Rx waste
- ▶ Creams and ointments
- ▶ Oral dosage forms (solid and liquid)
- ▶ IV solutions / tubing containing medications
- ▶ Partially Infused/spiked, Non-Maintenance IV Therapy
- ▶ Medicated Patches
- ▶ Hibiclens
- ▶ Insulins
- ▶ Non-empty chemotherapy bags/vials
- ▶ Oral and IV contrast

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES



Waste all controlled substances into the container designated for controlled substance disposal. Follow facility policy for required witness and documentation.

Hazardous substances are NOT to be disposed of in the drain/sewer

DRAIN / SEWER



Items that are disposed of in the drain.

▶ Maintenance IV Solutions Containing:

- Potassium Chloride
- Potassium Phosphate
- Sodium Phosphate
- Calcium
- Sodium Bicarbonate
- Dextrose
- Saline
- Lactated Ringers

INCOMPATIBLE HAZARDOUS



Contact pharmacy for direction on disposal of non-compatible waste.

Incompatible Rx wastes require segregation to comply with Department of Transportation, safety, and disposal facility requirements.

▶ Aerosols (Examples)

- Aerosol inhalers
- Hurrricane
- Epifoam
- Albuterol
- Qvar
- AIR - Aerosol sore throat spray

▶ Oxidizers (Examples)

- Unused or expired Silver Nitrate sticks

▶ Corrosives (Examples)

- Multitrace
- Hydrochloric Acid

▶ Coumadin

- Unused Coumadin (wrappers are regular waste)